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# Merry X-Mas! syrapide

Merry X-Mas! Ho Ho Ho, where does the time go? At the same time that I'm turning in this very book, Radio Comix is soliciting its April books. What's so special about that you might ask? Well, this April marks our one-year anniversary of publishing! We've come full circle! There's quite a bit to be thankful for this time of year like family, friends and egg nog --but this year I'm particularly thankful for our fans. As many of you know this has been a rough year in comics; lots of good companies just shut their doors for good. A heck of a year to start a new company --but we did. And somehow we made it. Well, not somehow --we made it because we've got supportive fans and well-wishers supporting our titles. Since it's Christmas, I'd like to take my little bit of space to personally thank those of you who've supported Radio Comix, no matter how small the contribution. From the artists who drew our work, to the printers who printed it, to the retailers who ordered our books, to the fans who bought them and to all the hundreds of people in between. Peace.

Now, as promised last month, some more guidelines on submitting material to Radio Comix. Last month Elin talked about the general guidelines. If you missed it do not pass Go, do not collect \$200. Go out and find it. That article alone will improve your chances of being published not only by us, but any other comic company! This month I'm going to clue you in on what we're looking for in mini-series.

A mini-series represents a large commitment from a comic company. Not only in time and work, but one of money and reputation. A company is known only by the books it publishes. It should be of little surprise that the utmost care goes into selecting these titles. In fact, almost all companies have a publishing theme, or strategy which is evident in the books they choose to print. My number one piece of advice is keep this in mind when you choose the company you submit your series to. The number one way to be rejected is not to fit into the line. Radio Comix has a fairly diverse line of books, so there's some room to maneuver—but there are still some things that don't fit in. Superheroes for one. In general, we publish comics we like. In case you're wondering what those are, try reading some of our books. If you want more specific examples, the Hot Box in each issue lists several titles each month that we enjoy.

We like stories with beginnings, middles and ends. We're not interested in titles which can go on for 600+ issues. 600 issue stories really aren't stories, they're perpetual motion titles. We're interested in well-told, exciting stories inside four issues.

Just like the stories, we like the art to be well developed. What impresses us is a unique and engaging style. Not just another "famous artist clone", but someone with a specific, defined sense of artistic direction. We're huge fans of manga, animation and classical art --and we're open minded. If what you're doing will appeal to our readers, rest assured, we'll know.

That said, don't be discouraged if your series is turned down (and certainly don't take it personally)—there are many factors outside of the work which play into the decision. We regularly turn down 90% of the proposals to us. The important thing to keep in mind is to keep trying. "Breaking in" is especially difficult these days, given the market situation, but not impossible—especially if you do your homework! Good Luck!



## The Hot Spot

The stuff we were listening to, reading or playing with when we put these comics together!

#### Fave CD:

Any Recording of "White Christmas" with Bing Crosby, Sorry Frank.

#### Video Games:

Ghost in the Shell, Does anyone know how to get the last movie?

Christmas Nights (Sure it's old, but it was fun and free!)

#### Cool Comic

Samurai Santa #1 By the Jim Lee? Naaah! Hardest Toys to find this Christmas: Star Wars Power of the Force AT-AT. Slave Girl err, Jabba's Prisoner Leia.

COMIX PLABLIST	023	Various Furrlough #60 The purfect stocking stuffer	
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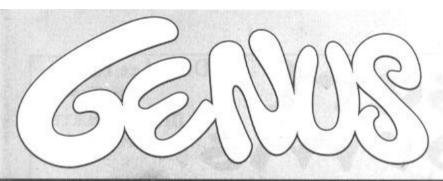




Radio Comix spent over a hundred dollars sending our Christmas cards this year and I'm sure we missed lots of deserving folks. So, if you weren't lucky enough to get one in your mailbox here's a peck at this year's design. The cats are, of course, the Radio Comix Cats Hopey, Spooky and Yubi. The other Radio Comix staffers (Matt, Elin and Pat) wish you a Happy Christmas filled with joy and an exciting New Years!

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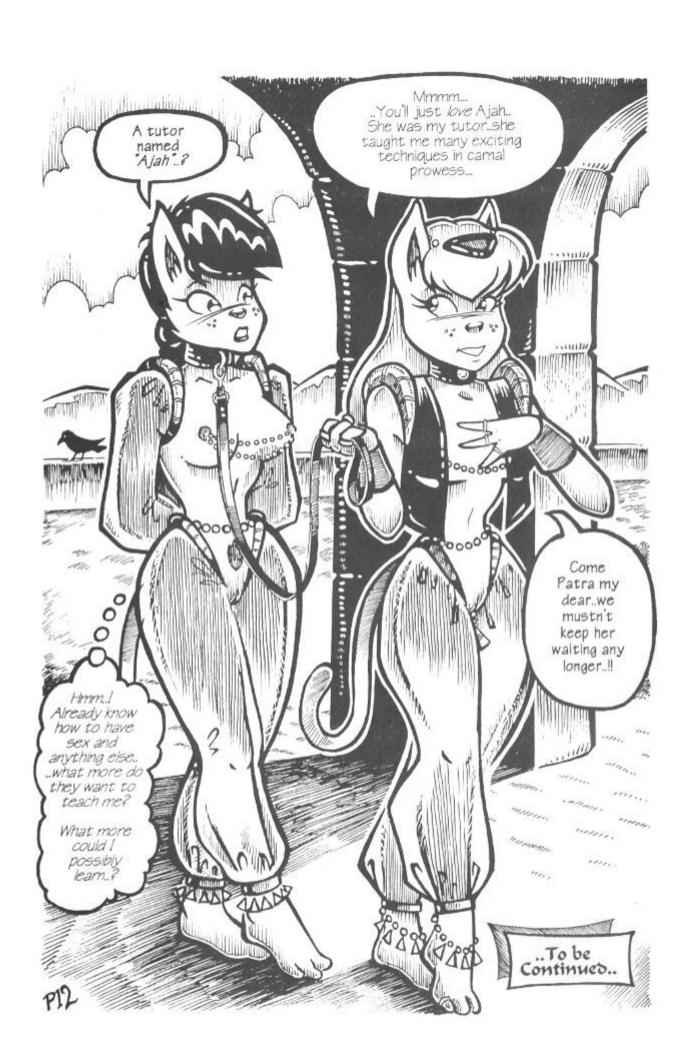














story Fart by Chris Whalen @97

HI! I'D LIKE TO PLACE AN AD FOR A DOMINTRIX. T'M SINGLE, SEEKING
A DOMINANT WOMAN. SHE
MUST BE 18-28, ATTRACTIVE
TRIM. SHE'LL DRESS UP IN
OUTFITS OF MY CHOICE.





... WE'LL ACT OUT ALL
MY FANTASIES.
SHE'S TO MEET ME
AT SCHEDULED TIMES
THAT I SET.

OK .. "SUBMISSIVE WANTED TO POSE AS A DOMINTRIX ..."



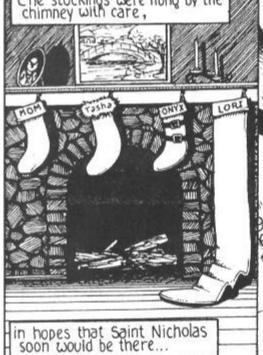


# The Night Before Christmas









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1997 by James M. Hardiman

The sisters were nestled all snug in their beds, while visions of mischief danced through their heads...



